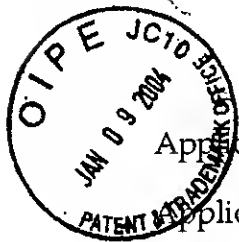


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Applicant: Corrado Fogher

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Re: RESPONSE

Our Ref: B-4075PCT 618484-4

Date: January 5, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
POB 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Sir:

1. This is a Petition for an extension by two months of the time to respond to the Office Action mailed on October 3, 2003.
2. Applicant is a small entity.
3. Attached is a check in the sum of \$210.00. Charge to Deposit Account 12-0415 any additional fee required or credit for any excess paid.
4. A Response to the Official Action is filed concurrently with this Petition.
5. A duplicate of this Petition is attached.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Post Office with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, POB 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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